

December 10, 1955.

Mr. William M. Abbott,
Box 185,
Wilton, N. H.

Dear Mr. Abbott:

At the recent meeting of the Board of Directors,
the members were much taken by your beautiful picture
of the clubhouse, and they would like to have your
price for the pictures, by the dozen.

Yours truly,

J.P.Drumgoole
Secretary.

Box 292 Back Bay
Boston 17, Mass.

June 15, 1956.

Dr. G. H. Derry,
690 Congress street,
Portland, Maine.

Dear Dr. Derry:

On Wednesday last (the 13th) I delivered your rifle and telescope to John McLaughlin of Kirkwood's Gun Shop, 23 Elm street, Boston, for packing and forwarding to you via American Express. I trust you have received it in good order.

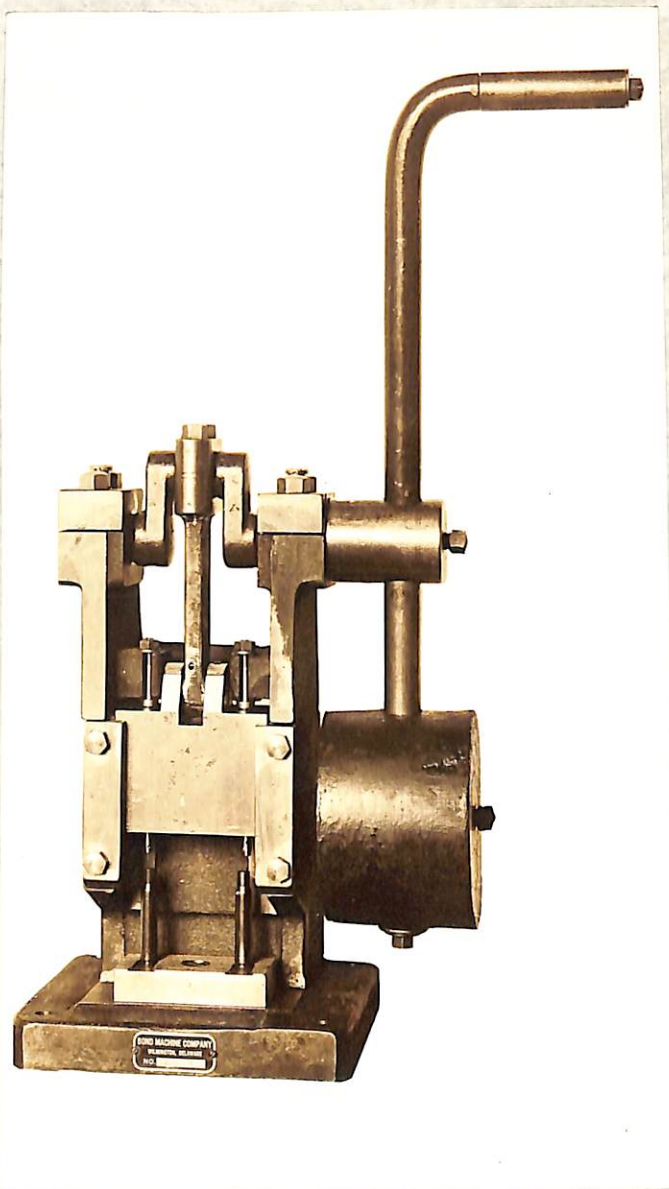
The Directors wish me to express to you their appreciation of your kindness in allowing us to have the custody of the rifle and telescope over this long period.

Yours very truly,

J.P.Drumgoole.
Secretary.

NATHANIEL C. NASH, JR.
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

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53 STATE STREET
BOSTON, MASS.



Full length resizing press for rifle cartridge, model '06
sold by the Bond Machine Company, Wilmington, Del., price,
\$80.00, if and when in stock.

NATHANIEL PERRY SIPPRELLE
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
6 BEACON STREET
BOSTON, MASS.

August 18, 1921.

Mr. Malcolm F. Partridge
104 Mt. Auburn Street
Watertown, Mass.

Dear Mr. Partridge,

Your letter of the 17th inst.
addressed to Mr. Sipprelle has been received, and
in his absence opened by me. In regard to the
Creedmore Cup would say that I have placed same
in the safe until Mr. Sipprelle's return, at
which time he will no doubt take up with you the
disposition
matter of further of same. I expect he will be
away, in Maine on vacation trip, until after Labor
Day.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

S.

Nathaniel P. Sipprelle

*Ans
Aug 21.
Creedmore Cup is at
Mr. C. G. Pillsbury's house.
Cup in safe is Wahfield cup.
M.F.P.*

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Mr H. L. Darling.

Dear Sir,—

Find it hard to estimate the Victory medal, nominally, as we can not tell exactly thickness of medal, until we use the die.

But feel sure the medal and bar and chains, will not exceed \$35.00 and I myself have hopes of keeping price down to \$30.00 but our foreman says not over \$35.00.

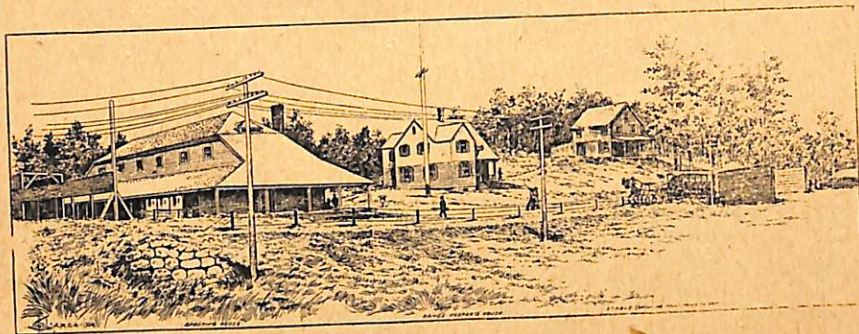
Awaiting instructions, I remain.

Just rec'd your favor
Have today
H. G. Wood & Sons

Respectfully,
H. G. Wood & Sons

W.R.A.

Troop of club cuts.



January 17, 1942.

Dear Madam:

On behalf of the Massachusetts Rifle Association, I wish to extend to you the thanks of the Association for the two photographs of your husband and the two stein trophies which you have so kindly donated to the Association, and to assure you that they are appreciated. Walnut Hill is glad to have something tangible by which to remember a former member of "Cranks' Corner".

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

J.P.Drumgoole.
Secretary.

Mrs. John E. Kelley,
3 Fletcher street,
Roslindale.

DR. HERMAN A. OSGOOD
DR. WILLIAM T. PATCH
DR. J. P. BILL
DR. F. W. STETSON

144 COMMONWEALTH AVE.
BOSTON, MASS.

TELEPHONE
KENMORE 9230

January
Second
1942

Mr. James A. Drumgoode
Back Bay P. O. Box
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Drumgoode:

Please write a letter to Mrs. John E. Kelley, 3 Fletcher Street, Roslindale, thanking her on behalf of the M. R. A. for the two photos of her husband and two stein trophies, and that Walnut Hill is glad to have something tangible by which to remember a former member of "Cranks' Corner."

A case similar to the Merrill-Foster-Fellows one has been completed. It will house Major Hinman's twenty-six medals and Kelley's two steins.

Robert Seavey Hale passed on December 31 at Scoutlands. Thus passes one of the extremely few possibilities for an endowment for the Hill.

It would be a nice gesture to write a note to Dr. Foster, wishing him on behalf of the M. R. A. the compliments of the season. I have reasons for requesting it be done.

Cordially,


J. P. Bill, M. D.

jpb/net

Received of Mrs. Martha H. Beck
twenty-four medals given to her
father, Major Charles W. Hinman,
as permanent loan to the
museum of the Massachusetts
Rifle Association at Walnut Hill.
These to be looked over for
contemporary bearing and such as
not thought to have definite
interest to the Association to be
returned.

A. J. P. Hill

Sept 24' 41

Jim: -

For your official files

A. J. P. Hill

Removed from
Case 18 DTT 46
J.P.D.

G. HERMANN DERRY, JR., M. D.
756 CONGRESS STREET
PORTLAND 4, MAINE

Aug 8, 46.

J.P. Bill, M.D.

144 Commonwealth Ave.,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Bill,

I should like to inquire if it would be possible for me to get the Mann-Weidner rifle which you borrowed several years ago to exhibit at Walnut Hill?

If you will get it and keep it at your house until Dr. David calls for it I would appreciate it very much.

My best to Mrs Bill & The little
Bills. Done by Dr Bill 8/18/46.
Hermann Derry.



IF EACH PIECE DOESN'T HAVE THIS SEAL IT IS
NOT GENUINE ROCK OF AGES.

Like the signature of Rembrandt on a painting, or Sterling on
fine silver, it identifies the genuine and protects the purchaser.

June 6/56.

Dear Jim

*Received this letter this morning.
There is no doubt in my mind that the
rifle in question belongs to Mr. Berry.*

*Will you please answer him and tell
him we will ship as soon as we can
if you agree with me.*

*Kindest personal regards
Austin*

**Do not accept a substitute!
Demand Genuine Rock of Ages with the Seal on each piece!**

G. H. DERRY, M. D.

690 CONGRESS STREET

PORTLAND, MAINE

June 4, 1956

Mr. Austin McHugh
172 Broadway
Malden, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Below is a description of the Rifle which you have on loan and which I would like returned to me via American Express.

Dr. F. W. Mann's original Mann-~~W~~iedner, interrupted screw, bolt action rifle, marked

Mann-~~W~~iedner

1913

Malden Mass.

U.S.A.

on the
left side of the receiver; pistol grip, short forearm checked, soft red rubber butt plate, set triggers; plugged, muzzle bore 0.2480"; the barrel from receiver to muzzle is 26 5/16" long; the overall length of the rifle from center butt plate to muzzle is 46 7/8"; as pictured in Fred Adolph's article in Outeris, Jan. 1913, top of page 53, also shown on second page of Dr. Mann's brown backed photograph album.

G. H. DERRY, M. D.

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PORTLAND, MAINE

2.

This rifle is accompanied by a steel tube
rifle telescope of two diameters, 13/16" O.D.
and 1 1/8" O.D. for the larger portion
which is 11 3/8" of the telescope's total
length, 22", marked

Mann-Wiedner

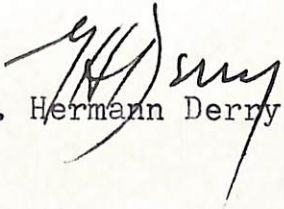
1913

Malden, Mass

U.S.A.

with mounting
blocks of Mann patent type to fit the above rifle.

Very truly yours,



G. Hermann Derry, M. D.

GHD/p

G. H. DERRY, M. D.

690 CONGRESS STREET

PORTLAND, MAINE

May 1, 1956

The President
Massachusetts Rifle Association
Walnut Hill
Waban, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I should like to request that the Mann-Niedner rifle loaned to your organization, with the telescope, by me, through the efforts of the late Dr. J. P. Bill, be returned to me, American Express, Collect.

This being the second request, an answer would be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,


G. H. Derry, M. D.



May 24, 1956.

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NOT GENUINE ROCK OF AGES.

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fine silver, it identifies the genuine and protects the purchaser.

Dear Jim:

This is the letter Watson gave you
Sunday.

I looked at the Rifle in the Case Wed.
night and wrote the marks in pencil on the
back of the letter.

I know nothing of this matter
and would appreciate it if you would
inquire Sunday from Kidder & Cap. Gerrish

Please answer this letter telling
Mr. Gerry that we are investigating the matter
but since Mr. Bill's death we have no one
to ask. You might ask him what marks
of identification were on the rifle he loaned

Do not accept a substitute!

Demand Genuine Rock of Ages with the Seal on each piece! (Over)

Mr Bill but do not send him the
markings on the one in the case.

He says this is the second request but I
don't remember any other. Maybe you
are familiar with this if so use
your own judgment in answering.

Best regards.

Austin.

May 28, 1956.

Dear Doctor Derry:

Your letter of May first has been forwarded to me by the president of the club.

All the rifles received on loan during Dr. Bill's presidency are still in the trophy room, and we will, as soon as we are sure of the identity of your rifle, forward it to you via American Express.

It would help if you would send to the president a description of the markings or numbers on your rifle.

The president of the club is Mr. Austin McHugh, whose place of business is at 172 Broadway, Malden 48.

By the way, your communication of May first is the only one that has reached the club, to my knowledge, during my dozen or so years as secretary.

Yours very truly,

J.P.Drumgoole.
Secretary.

Dr. D. H. Derry,
690 Congress street,
Portland 4, Maine.